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FOR: HYDROGEL WOUND DRESSING AND THE METHOD OF MAKING  
AND USING THE SAME

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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Sir:

Pursuant to Applicant(s) duty of disclosure, the information listed in the attached form PTO-1449 is brought to the attention of the Examiner. Copies of the listed items are enclosed.

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In accordance with the requirement under 37 C.F.R. 1.98 (3)(i), the following are concise explanations of the relevance, as presently understood, with regard to those items submitted herewith that are not in the English language:

**French Demande de Brevet D'Invention Publication No. 2 392 677** apparently relates to a material for a transparent liquid bandage.

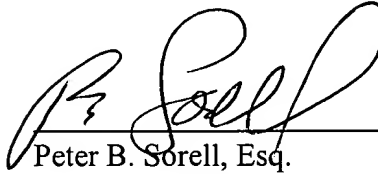
**French Demande de Brevet D'Invention Publication No. 2 542 201** apparently relates to a surgical support extensible in all directions and impermeable to liquids, which is used in the field of bandages.

- ☒ **This information disclosure statement is being filed within three (3) months of the filing date of this application.**
- ☐ This information disclosure statement is being filed within three (3) months of the date of entry of the national stage as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.491 in an international application.
- ☒ **To the best of Applicant(s) knowledge, this information disclosure statement is being filed before the date of mailing of a first Office Action on the merits in connection with this case.**
- ☐ Enclosed herewith is a certificate under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e)(1).
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The claims of the application as now presented are believed to patentably distinguish over the prior art and to be in condition for allowance. Early and favorable consideration of this application are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "P. Sorell", is written over a horizontal line.

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